

Director's Note

Happy January orchestra families!

We had a wonderful first semester and are ramping up for an incredible second half of the school year. The BIG news of 2023 is that our 41st annual All City String Festival will be hosted at American Family Field, home of the Brewers! The festival is scheduled for May 6th, 2023 beginning at 2:00pm. This new, HUGE venue will also allow students to perform at the same time! For more information about the performance, [CLICK HERE](#) to read our official announcement.

In other performance news, the East Concert Orchestra will perform in the Wisconsin State Capitol in Madison. The March 7th performance is a part of *Music in our Schools Month*, a celebration of school music. The Concert Orchestra is one of 10 schools selected for the noon concerts at the Capitol. Are you a parent of a 9th grader? Check your email soon for field trip/chaperone details.

In non-performance news, Tosa East Orchestra will be Metcalfe's February Charity of the Month. In short, we'll receive 5% of total sales for the month. All you need to do is present [THIS FLYER](#) when you buy groceries. These funds will help us continue to bring amazing guests to Tosa East Orchestra!

Finally, we are thrilled to welcome back Paul Hauer, Nathan Hackett, Thea Vorass, and Barry Clark back to Tosa East for sectionals and chamber music coaching.

We look forward to seeing you all soon!

Upcoming Events

February 25th, 2023*

**WSMA Solo & Ensemble Festival
West Allis Central High School**

**Optional for students*

March 7th, 2023**

**Music in our School Month Performance
Wisconsin State Capitol Rotunda
Madison, WI**

***Concert Orchestra Only*

All City String Festival

Yes, the news is true! This year's All City String Festival will be held at [American Family Field](#). The single performance will begin at 2:00pm and feature ALL Wauwatosa orchestra students! Each participating student in orchestra will receive four (4) free tickets to the event with the option to purchase more. Details regarding ticketing, parking, and seating are still to be announced. Mark your calendars NOW!! And we'll see you at the ballpark!

Music in our Schools Month (MISM)

Every March, the National Music Education Association (NAfME) hosts a month-long celebration of music being made in our schools. One of the ways our Wisconsin chapter celebrates school music is to host concerts inside the Wisconsin State Capitol Building.

Metcalfe's Fundraiser

Shop at Metcalfe's? Tosa East Orchestra will receive %5 of total sales during the entire month of February. Use the flyer below. And please share with your friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers.



MISM Continued..

This year, the East Concert Orchestra (9th grade) was one of the 10 groups selected to perform. [Their concert will take place on March 7th from noon to 1pm](#). If you or anyone you know is in Madison that day, stop by and hear beautiful music, live from the 2nd floor rotunda at 12pm.

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